

ABSTRACT

An ink jet recording apparatus (11) includes a slide member (44) slidably supported at a cartridge holder (12a) and a lock claw member (49) rotatably supported at the cartridge holder (12a). The slide member (44) slides along an insertion direction of an ink cartridge (23) with respect to the cartridge holder (12a) between a first slide position and a second slide position. When the slide member (44) is located at the second slide position, the lock claw member (49) is located at a first rotation position. At this time, the ink cartridge (23) is incapable of being removed from the cartridge holder (12a). When the slide member (44) moves to the first slide position from the second slide position, the lock claw member (49) is located at the second rotation position. At this time, the ink cartridge (23) is removable from the cartridge holder (12a).